IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Jean BERRET et al.

Appl. No.:

NEW NON-PROVISIONAL

Group:

Filed:

October 15, 2003

Examiner:

For:

PIVOTING HELM

INFORMATION_DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (SUBMISSION CONCURRENT WITH THE FILING OF A NEW PATENT APPLICATION)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents October 15, 2003 P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, and in fulfillment of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION Τ.

The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on PTO-1449, attached hereto.

II. COPIES

- Submitted herewith is a legible copy of (i) each foreign \boxtimes patent; (ii) each publication or that portion which caused it to be listed; and (iii) all other information or that portion which caused it to be listed.
- This application is a National Phase of a PCT application. Some or all of the documents listed on the PTO-1449 are not enclosed because they were cited in the International Search Report and copies should have been forwarded from the International Search Authority pursuant to the trilateral agreement between the USPTO, EPO and JPO. If copies are needed, please contact the undersigned.

III. CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE (check at least one box)

DOCUMENTS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE a.

The attached patents, publications, or other information in the English language do not require a statement of relevancy.

b. 🗆	DOCUMENTS NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE
	A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:
c. 🛛	FOREIGN SEARCH REPORT OR ACTION
	An foreign language version of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(A)(3).
d. 🗆	OTHER
	The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration.
	FEES .
This In concurrently therefore, no	formation Disclosure Statement is being filed with the filing of a new patent application; fee is required.
If The E	xaminer has any questions concerning this IDS, he/she to contact the undersigned.
20 20 40 20	Respectfully submitted,
	Thomas W. Perkins, Reg. No. 33,027
TWP/ma	745 South 23 rd Street Arlington, VA 22202 Telephone (703) 521-2297
Enclosures:	Form PTO-1449(s)

 \boxtimes

 \boxtimes

Documents

Foreign Search Report

Other:____

PTO-1449								Sheet 1	OI T	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION (Use several sheets if necessary)				Attorney Docket No.: 0579-1022	Application No.: NEW NONPROVISIONAL					
				Applicant: Jean BERRET et al.						
				Filing Date: October 15, 2003			Group Art Unit:			
		U.S. PATE	NT I	DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date		Name	Class	s	ubclass	Filing date (if appropriate)		
mittai	5,048,444		MOC							
	1,711,037		BOJ						-	
	5,676,081		KOBELT			_				
	4,314,520	2/9/1982 H	KOS	SIC						
						-				
				NT DOCUMENTS				<u></u>		
			AIE	NT DOCUMENTS			Subclass	Trans	lation	
l I_	Document Number	Date		Country	Ci	ass 	Subciass	Yes	No	
	2 771 997	6/11/1999		FRANCE				_		
	59/53297	3/27/1984	<u> </u>	JAPAN					_	
							-			
	FORMTEXT							-		
	OTHER DOCL	IMENTS (Including	Aut	thor, Title, Date, Pertine	ent Page	s, E	tc.)			
	OTTLER BOOK	()								
					<u> </u>					
				DATE CONSIDERED						
EXAMII	NEK:			ALE CONCIDENCE						

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP § 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to the applicant.

^{*} Abstract provided for the Examiner's convenience